

WAR ON RAINES LAW HOTELS

PROPOSED LAW THAT WILL CLOSE THE BAD ONES.

Senator McCarren Proposes Reform and Economy in Street Openings in Brooklyn. The Senate Passes the Political Bill It Rejected Monday Evening.

ALBANY, Feb. 7.—Another determined effort is to be made at this session of the Legislature to drive the fake or so-called Raine's law hotels out of business. Today Senator Page and Assemblyman Prentice introduced a bill prepared jointly by the committee of fourteen of New York city and the Excise Department.

The bill proposes to strike at the root of the so-called Raine's law hotel evil by providing for inspection prior to the granting of a license instead of waiting until the certificate has been granted, and if the applicant is not entitled to it he cannot get a certificate. An initial inspection of all hotel buildings in New York city by the Superintendent of Public Buildings is provided for. In other cities the inspections are to be made by the Mayors and in villages by the presidents. These officials are required to certify to the Excise Department as to the condition of the buildings which comply with the Raine's law. When a new application for a hotel license is received the Excise Commissioner or County Treasurer will consult the list of certified hotels and if he finds that the building for which the license is applied for complies with the law he will issue the certificate. If it is not certified to as complying he must deny the application.

Provision is also made in the bill so that a tax payer who has reason to believe that a hotel does not comply with the Raine's law can have the whole matter inquired into by the Excise Department, and it is shown that his complaint is well founded the Excise Commissioner may remove the license.

Instead of assisting in helping to rid New York city's treasury of its money Senator Patrick Henry McCarren, the Brooklyn Democratic leader, proposed to save money for the city in the future. He has introduced a bill which would have called the roll of the district leaders of Tammany Hall and more than a score would have answered "Present."

Justice Warren W. Foster was a conspicuous member of the judiciary at the speakers' table and several Civil Justices and Police Magistrates came to show their interest in the occasion. Friends of Col. Mike Padden also said that his name must not be omitted from the list of notables. The restaurant people said it was the largest dinner ever given in the Roman Court. It couldn't have been more enthusiastic.

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GREETINGS TO THE M'MANUS

FROM THE SULLIVANS, O'BRIENS AND OTHER MIGHTY CHIEFS.

Dinner at Shanley's to Celebrate the Downfall of Plunkitt — Bottle Chorus Crowned the Salvo of Cheers — Brief but Effective Speech by Big Tim.

It was The McManus's night. Corporation Counsel Delany said so at the dinner to the Tammany district leader of the Fifteenth Assembly district in the Roman Court of Shanley's. Forty-second street place last night.

More than two friends of McManus, about all of them in evening dress and wearing those togas with just as much ease as they do at Waldorf dinners, were present. Every mention of the McManus family was greeted with uproarious noise. The orchestra didn't have any anvils on which to clink out a chorus, but the diners had hundreds of empty bottles with which to pound the tables. The festivities wound up by presenting McManus with a ring, containing three large "steel white" diamonds worth \$1,000.

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PATTERSON DEFENDS HIS BOLT

ASSERTS RIGHT OF SENATORS TO RESENT CAUCUS DICTATION.

Mr. Bailey of Texas Shows by the Record That the Colorado Senator Voted in Caucus Two Years Ago for a Resolution Similar to the One He Now Condemns.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—People who went to the Senate Chamber to-day in the expectation of seeing and hearing something interesting were not disappointed. They saw a scene seldom witnessed in the Senate, for nearly every Senator was in his seat and the extra space on the floor was covered with members of the House and others entitled to admission to these sacred precincts.

The occasion was a debate over the resolutions offered by Senator Patterson of Colorado declaring in substance that the action of the Democratic caucus of the Senate in binding its members to vote against the Santo Domingo treaty was "in plain violation of the spirit and intent of the Constitution of the United States." These resolutions, regarded by many Senators as embracing a question of momentous importance not only to the Senate, but to the country, were called up by Mr. Patterson shortly after the Senate met, and for nearly four hours he and Senator Bailey of Texas, a radical supporter of the caucus action, had it hammer and tongs, to the enjoyment of the greater portion of those present and to the thinly concealed concern of a smaller number.

Senator Patterson, speaking in a voice that at times betrayed deep feeling, made a long address in defense of his action in bolting the Democratic caucus on the Dominican treaty. There is just a touch of the brogue in the accent of the Colorado man, who is Irish born, and to the whole of his delivery was pleasing. It contrasted strongly with the deep tones of Senator Bailey, a fact not lost on his opponent, who paid a compliment to the strong and convincing personality of the youthful looking Texan.

The most dramatic feature of the discussion came during Senator Bailey's response to Senator Patterson, when the latter, interrupting the discourse of Mr. Bailey, virtually alleged that the action of the Democratic caucus was to prevent Southern Senators from following the bolt of Mr. Patterson. The Senator from Colorado intimated very broadly that on account of the race question those who had forced the adoption of coercive measures in the caucus did so in the belief that Democratic Senators from the South would be afraid to vote contrary to the dictates of their party. This was hotly resented by Mr. Bailey, who charged that bolting was not a principle but a habit with Mr. Patterson, and referred to the fact that the Colorado Senator had bolted the nomination of Grover Cleveland in 1892 and had fought the Democratic municipal ticket in Denver.

Mr. Patterson began by stating the action of the caucus, which, in view of remarks made by Senators, he could not regard otherwise than as an attempt to coerce him and other Senators who announced their intention to vote for the Santo Domingo treaty. He also referred to some suggestions that had been made of an understanding with the President regarding the passage of the bill, and he said that he would not be afraid to vote in return for patronage. He disclaimed any such alliance. The charge that the President had influenced a Senator's vote with patronage was not becoming, nor was it becoming to charge that a Senator had sold his vote.

The only time he had tried to influence the President in matters of patronage was when he sought to have an Episcopal clergyman in Denver appointed a chaplain in the army.

"The President informed me," said Mr. Patterson, "that the former occupant of the office was a Methodist and that a Methodist would be selected to succeed him, and my Episcopal friend is still performing his clerical duties in Denver, while a Methodist is drawing the salary of chaplain."

Mr. Patterson paid a glowing tribute to the President. "I do not agree with him in all his policies, but in his great struggle against railroads and trusts he is doing a greater work than any President since Andrew Jackson, and I commend him for it."

He said the Senator who reached conclusions on public questions or upon pending bills in the interest of the country's welfare and then changed them at the behest of a party caucus was more likely to be influenced by venal considerations than one who adhered to his independent views regardless of party dictation. If caucus rule was to control the constitutional oath of Senators, he declared the constitution ought to be amended. He had read the bill, he said, and he had read the resolutions of the Senate and Representatives, had visited the White House and come away with their opinions changed. He drew no distinction between the man who sold his vote for money and the man who yielded for patronage.

Mr. Bailey (Dem. Tex.) reminded the Senator from Colorado that there was one house open to him—he could withdraw his vote and he recalled that Mr. Patterson ten years or so ago had walked out of a Democratic convention in Colorado. Whenever a Senator's conscience reached that stage where he must defy his party caucus he should take that course.

Mr. Bailey said that because the President had borrowed some plans from the Democratic platform, this was no reason why he should follow him in all things.

The Senator from Colorado describes a spirited interview he had with the President, said Senator Bailey, "I wish I could have been present at that interview. To know what a spirit he showed in the President means. (Laughter.) I wish I knew the persuasive influence that induced the Senator from Colorado, after that interview, to come to the Senate and declare the President to be a second Andrew Jackson. I believe that the President can roar like a lion when occasion requires and roar like a dove when occasion presents. When he wants to persuade Senators on this side of the chamber he uses the honeyed words; when he wants to influence you on the other side he wields the big stick." (Great laughter.)

Senator Bailey read from Mr. Patterson's speech, accepting of the Senate the resolutions which he declared he would enter the Democratic caucus, for caucuses were "the party fortifications." Mr. Bailey charged that Mr. Patterson was present at the Democratic caucus two years ago that adopted a resolution that the action of two-thirds should control.

The Senator from Texas must be wrong," said he. "I have no recollection of it."

"I have no desire to engage in the discourtesy of calling witnesses," said Mr. Bailey, "but I know that I am correct."

At this point occurred the most dramatic feature of the debate. Senator Culberson of Texas came forward with the minutes of the caucus referred to, remarking that the Senator from Colorado was not only present, but he voted for the resolution that adopted the two-thirds rule.

Mr. Bailey took the resolution and waved it in the air. The Democrats smiled much and the Republicans showed so much interest that Senator Spooner crossed over to the Democratic side and carried the resolution back for the inspection of the Republicans.

As Mr. Bailey proceeded Mr. Patterson interrupted to say: "The mistake the Senator from Texas makes is in assuming that twenty Democratic Senators represent the views of the whole Democratic party of the country."

"I do not assume that, but I believe they

come more nearly representing it than does the Senator from Colorado," said Mr. Bailey.

Mr. Bailey concluded by offering the minutes of the Democratic caucus of two years ago applied to the two-thirds rule as a part of his remarks.

Senator Patterson replied briefly with a strong defense of the right of Senators to vote independent of caucus dictation.

At the conclusion of the debate Mr. Patterson moved that his resolutions lie on the table, subject to being called up by any Senator who desired to speak on the subject matter. The Republicans have not fully determined what course they will pursue, but many of them are inclined to push the resolution to a vote.

JAPAN'S WAR TAXES TO STAY.

Leading Parties in the Diet, Agree Not to Reduce Them at Present.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.

TOKIO, Feb. 7.—The Ministers of Finance, War and the Navy have consented to the proposed of the Seiyukai (Premier Saionji's) party for a reduction of the military and reserve funds by 5,000,000 yen. Other economies have also been agreed upon. The Seiyukai and the Daigo parties, the latter the new party which is allied with Saionji in the Diet, approve the continuation of the war taxes, on the condition that a commission be appointed to investigate the taxes with a view of their reduction within a fixed period. Therefore the bills will probably pass the House of Representatives to-morrow, when they will be submitted.

The leading metropolitan papers say that such excessive burdens upon the people are a disappointment and that Saionji is not keeping his promise of financial readjustment. Foreign Minister Kato is no longer a strong man and is twitted with apyness. It is whispered that Baron Yamamoto, the strong man in Katsura's Ministry, now in retirement, is waiting to take the next Premiership.

The House of Peers having approved the war expenditure, the Government will soon issue \$100,000,000 in domestic 5 per cent bonds.

Dr. Haruchi, an eminent railway engineer, has entered the service of the Chinese Government at a salary of \$6,000 a year on the condition that all railway materials be purchased by China through Japan.

Further Reward for Bishop O'Connell.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.

ROME, Feb. 7.—Bishop O'Connell of Portland, Me., who recently made a successful mission to Japan as envoy of the Pope to the Mikado, has besides being made Coadjutor Archbishop of Boston, been made titular Archbishop of Constantinople, Arabia. He had a long private audience with the Pope yesterday, during which he received a brief commendation of his mission to Japan. He will remain a considerable time longer in Rome. The reason for his prolonged stay is not known.

Kaiser Going to King Christian's Funeral.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 7.—The Kaiser will arrive on the evening of February 17 for the funeral of King Christian and probably will leave on the evening of the next day.

JOHN J. MERRILL EXONERATED.

Charges Against Chief Clerk of State Tax Bureau Dismissed.

ALBANY, Feb. 7.—State Comptroller Kelsey to-day dismissed the charges preferred against John J. Merrill, chief clerk of the Corporation Tax Bureau, in his office by Frank White, an attorney of this city. This action is taken in accordance with a report submitted to the Comptroller by Theodore G. Mott, after a thorough and impartial investigation. The charges alleged remissness and neglect of duty and particularly discrimination in the adjustment of corporation taxes in favor of certain corporations and attorneys by Merrill and asked for his removal.

The Comptroller in dismissing the charges says:

"An exhaustive examination into each of the twenty-eight charges and specifications of misconduct shows that not one of them has been sustained, but on the contrary that John J. Merrill has not extended improper favors or indulgence to any attorney, person or corporation, and that he has not in any instance asked or received any corrupt bribe or reward or improper consideration of any kind from any source for the performance or failure to perform any act or duty in regard to the matters charged."

KILL FAMILY; MUTILATE BODIES.

Husband, Wife and Son Found Decapitated in Partly Burned Home.

DOTHAN, Ala., Feb. 7.—With their heads severed from their bodies, the corpses of J. H. Christian, wife and son were found this afternoon in their home near this place.

The crime was committed some time last night and the house had been fired, but the flames were extinguished by heavy rain.

Robbery was the motive of the murder as Christian was a wealthy man and the house had been ransacked in a search of money. On the discovery of the bodies the police were called and the bodies were removed for burial. It is certain that a lynching will follow the capture of the murderers.

The Christians were very prominent in the community and had offered \$1,000 reward for the capture of the murderers.

There were indications of a desperate struggle and bloodstains leading from the house indicate that Christian wounded one of the robbers.

POSTUM CEREAL.

BUTTERMILK A Surer Way Out.

The "buttermilk fad," which its followers insisted was the cure for all the ills that human flesh is heir to, has pretty well had its day.

Buttermilk is a pleasant and healthy drink, but there are a whole lot of desirable things that it cannot do. A Nebraska woman found something much more worth while. She says:

"Three years ago my stomach was in such a frightful condition that I could scarcely bear to take any food at all. Indeed there was once that I went for 14 days without a morsel of nourishment, preferring starvation to the acute agony I suffered when I ate anything. And all this entailed upon me almost constant headaches and nervousness. My condition was truly pitiable."

"The doctor warned me that the coffee I drank was chiefly responsible for this condition, and ordered me to drink buttermilk instead. But I despised buttermilk and could not bring myself to use it."

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RIVAL PLANS TO HELP JEWS.

COMMITTEE OF INDIVIDUALS STIRS UP A FENS.

East Side Russians Think a Congress Would Do the Work Better and Talk of a "Jewish Nobility"—A Newspaper Begs Trouble—Anti-German Feeling.

A letter was sent out recently by prominent Jews of this city inviting some fifty Jews in all parts of the country to a conference to discuss what steps should be taken to ameliorate the condition of the Jews in Russia. The invitation was signed by Lewis Marshall, Samuel Greenbaum, Nathan Bijur, Cyrus L. Sulzberger and Joseph Jacobs of the Jewish Theological Seminary. Those invited were to decide on the advisability of naming a general committee to deal with the problem.

The matter was considered purely private by the signers and the invitation was not made public. But just before the meeting, which was called for last Saturday night, one of the Jewish newspapers here came out with an invitation to every one interested to come to the meeting and to bring whatever information from Russia he might have. Therefore, when the thirty-five men who responded to the letter came together at the Hebrew Charities Building they found a hundred or more already there. When these latter were told that the meeting was private they went away.

Considerable dissatisfaction was expressed by some of these outsiders, which was increased by the fact that a movement is already on foot for the calling of a Jewish-American congress for the same purpose. This movement is headed by a number of national organizations, including the Union Orthodox Congregations, the Independent Order of the Free Sons of Israel, Alliance Israélite Universelle, the Federation of American Zionists and the Jewish Defense Association. Those interested in the calling of the congress considered the formation of a general committee as an unwarranted butting in, and the feeling which occasionally shows itself among the Russian Jews against the German Jews of the city didn't help matters any.

It is asserted that some of the men at first refused to leave the meeting Saturday night and exhibited the Jewish organ's scorching, "Come and Help Solve the Jewish Question," as their reason for being there. Finally, however, the invited men began their meeting in peace. Among them were Harry Friedenwald of Baltimore, president of the Federation of American Zionists; Dr. Emil Hirsch, Adolph Krause, president of the order of B'nai B'rith; I. W. Mack, Dr. I. Stattz of Chicago; the Rev. Dr. D. Phillips of Cincinnati; the Rev. Dr. Max Heller of New Orleans; Judge Mayer Sulzberger of Philadelphia; A. J. Wise, a brother of Stephen S. Wise of San Francisco; Cyrus Adler of the Smithsonian Institution and the Hon. Simon Wolf of Washington.

The meeting was called to order by Louis Marshall, who acted as the meeting secretary. It was decided that the organization of a general committee was desirable and that the chairman should appoint a committee of seven to consider the various relief plans. The Jewish journal which began as a trotting horse for Jacob H. Schiff as saying at the conference.

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